LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SEVENTH DAY.

Monday, 4th September 1950.

The Assembly met in the Assembly Hall, Old Public Offices, Bangalore, at 8 A.M.

Mr. Speaker (Sri V. Venkatappa) in the Chair.

STARRED QUESTIONS.

(To which oral answers were given.)

Mr. SPEAKER (Sri V. Venkatappa).—Questions. Question No. 86.

Development of Unani and Ayurvedic Systems of Medicine in India.

*Q.—86. **Janab SYED ABDUR RAHMAN** (Chikmagalur *cum* Shimoga—Muslim).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether they are aware that a Thibba Conference was held in the month of February 1950 to promote the development of the Unani and Ayurvedic Systems of medicine in India :

(*b*) whether they have received the resolutions passed at the Conference for taking action thereon ;

(*c*) the steps they have taken in the matter ?

*A.—**Sri T. SIDDALINGAIYA** (Minister for Education and Public Health).—(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) As the resolutions relate to the formation of the Department of Indian Medicine, appointment of Directors and Assistant Directors, the establishment of Ayurvedic and Unani Hospitals in all the District Headquarters and the establishment of Ayurvedic and Unani Central Pharmacies, etc., it is considered necessary to place the subjects before a meeting of the Central Board of Indian Medicine shortly.

Janab SYED ABDUR RAHMAN.—Will the Hon'ble Minister for Public Health be pleased to furnish copies of those resolutions ?

*Sri T. SIDDALINGAIYA.—I do not think that Government can supply copies of resolutions passed in a public conference.

Janab SYED ABDUR RAHMAN.—I made the request so as to enable members to have an opportunity to know what exactly are the resolutions which were passed in the Conference.

Sri T. SIDDALINGAIYA.—I believe it is not the business of the Government to supply copies of that nature.

Janab SYED ABDUR RAHMAN.—Can the Hon'ble Minister do so now ?

Sri T. SIDDALINGAIYA.—I do not think it is called for.

Janab SYED ABDUR RAHMAN.—With regard to the resolutions relating to the formation of the Department of Indian Medicine, appointment of Directors, etc., it is stated that it is considered necessary to place the subjects before a meeting of the Central Board of Indian Medicine shortly. May I know if the Government themselves are not in a position to consider these matters ?

Sri T. SIDDALINGAIYA.—It is a hotch-potch. The idea is to have one integrated system for the whole of India. With that background we have to consider the matter. Mysore apart from other States cannot consider finally these systems of medicine alone.

Janab SYED ABDUR RAHMAN.—Sir, are you contemplating integration of this also ? There were questions of integration of services.

Sri T. SIDDALINGAIYA.—Integration of system is different from integration of services.

Janab SYED ABDUR RAHMAN.—Sir, there is a resolution that such matters as the formation of a Department of Indian Medicine, etc. should be

referred to the Government of India for constituting an All-India Indigenous Medical Council. Cannot the Government of Mysore press the Government of India in this matter?

Sri T. SIDDALINGAIYA.—It is already under the consideration of the Government. There was a conference held recently. We are awaiting the results of that Conference.

Janab SYED ABDUR RAHMAN.—Is the Hon'ble Minister aware that in the Civil Area of Bangalore, there is a growing demand for a Unani and Ayurvedic Hospital on the lines of the Jayachamarajendra Institute in Bangalore? Will the Government consider the possibility of having an institution of the same kind in the Civil area also?

Sri T. SIDDALINGAIYA.—I admit that there is a demand for such a hospital everywhere. But, for the present to start another institution like the Jayachamarajendra Institute in Bangalore City is not contemplated.

Janab SYED ABDUR RAHMAN.—Will the Government considering the demand of the public, at least now take steps in that direction and see that one is started in the Civil Area some time later?

Sri T. SIDDALINGAIYA.—Government will consider the matter at the proper time.

Janab SYED ABDUR RAHMAN.—With regard to the qualification of the Senior Hakim here, there was a resolution to the effect that only a qualified person should be appointed for the post. Have the Government considered this resolution and seen that an unqualified person does not hold such post?

Sri T. SIDDALINGAIYA.—It is always so.

Janab SYED ABDUR RAHMAN.—Will it not reflect discredit on an institution if an unqualified person is appointed?

Mr. SPEAKER.—How does this question arise?

Janab SYED ABDUR RAHMAN.—There is a resolution that unqualified persons should not be appointed for such jobs. Should not Government consider.....

Mr. SPEAKER.—I do not think that it is permissible.

Janab SYED ABDUR RAHMAN.—Sir, my question is, should not the Government consider qualification as the only requisite in making the appointments?

Sri T. SIDDALINGAIYA.—What doubt is there? Only qualified persons will always be appointed.

Janab SYED ABDUR RAHMAN.—Will they consider the question that the Senior Hakim in the present institution should be qualified properly?

Sri T. SIDDALINGAIYA.—The general answer covers your particular question.

Janab SYED ABDUR RAHMAN.—In the last session of the Legislative Assembly, the Hon'ble Minister was pleased to say that increased provision will be made for the Unani and Ayurvedic Systems of Medicine in the next year? Will the Government consider increasing the provision in the next year?

Sri T. SIDDALINGAIYA.—Let next year come.

Janab SYED ABDUR RAHMAN.—Is there a possibility of increasing the provision for this purpose next year?

Sri T. SIDDALINGAIYA.—I hope so.

Janab SYED ABDUR RAHMAN.—Is the Hon'ble Minister aware that during the time of his predecessor, a committee was formed to go into the matter of indigenous systems of medicine? If so, may I know what has happened to that Committee?

Mr. SPEAKER.—How does this question arise?

Janab SYED ABDUR RAHMAN.—A Committee was appointed to propagate an efficient system of Indian Medicine .....

Mr. SPEAKER.—Can the Hon'ble Member ask any question relating to that?

Sri D. H. CHANDRASEKHARAIYA (Chitaldrug District—General).—May I know if the system of Indian medicine is a Provincial or Central subject?

Sri T. SIDDALINGAIYA.—I do not consider.....

Mr. SPEAKER.—The Hon'ble Member wants to know whether Indian Medicine is a State or Central subject.

Sri T. SIDDALINGAIYA.—I do not consider this either Provincial or Central, as it is a subject affecting the whole country.

Sri D. H. CHANDRASEKHARAIYA.—Under the Constitution of India, are not 'Medical' and 'Public Health' State subjects?

Sri T. SIDDALINGAIYA.—If it is from the point of view of services, his question is correct. It is a State subject so far.

Sri D. H. CHANDRASEKHARAIYA.—Have not the Government of Mysore laid down certain lines on which Indian Medicine should be developed in the Mysore State itself?

Sri T. SIDDALINGAIYA.—Yes. We are considering all that.

Sri D. H. CHANDRASEKHARAIYA.—If that is so, should not the Government take necessary action to implement the decisions already arrived at to improve the prospects of Indian medicine both from the people's point of view and from the point of view of those who serve in this department?

Sri T. SIDDALINGAIYA—It is under consideration.

Urdu Professor in the Mysore University.

*Q.—101. **Janab MOHAMED VALIULLA** (Kolar—Muslim). —

Will the Government be pleased to state!—

(*a*) whether they have appointed a Professor for Urdu in the University of Mysore;

(*b*) if the answer is in the affirmative, the name of the Professor?

A.—**Sri T. SIDDALINGAIYA** (Minister for Education and Public Health)—

(*a*) No.

(*b*) Does not arise in view of reply to above clause.

Janab MOHAMED VALIULLA.—Why was an advertisement made?

Sri T. SIDDALINGAIYA—Before an advertisement was made, it was expected that the person who had already been appointed would come back. There were some other difficulties also, which I am not able to disclose on the floor of the House.

Janab MOHAMED VALIULLA.—Was not the advertisement made long back?

Sri T. SIDDALINGAIYA.—It was made sometime ago.

Janab MOHAMED VALIULLA.—Was it not two years back?

Sri T. SIDDALINGAIYA.—It was not made two years back, but only a few months ago.

Janab MOHAMED VALIULLA.—Who was responsible for not filling up the post for such a long time? Is it the University or the Government?

Sri T. SIDDALINGAIYA.—I regret I cannot disclose.

Janab SYED ABDUR RAHMAN (Chikmagalur *cum* Shimoga—Muslim).—Sir, is it not a fact that a committee was constituted for this purpose and some professors from Lucknow and Aligarh Universities were invited to take a decision in this matter and the committee met here.....?

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY (Mysore District—General)—In respect of the answer given by the Hon'ble Minister, I submit that the Hon'ble Speaker must direct him to disclose it, because it is not of such a confidential nature. The question was whether the records are pending disposal in the University or in the Government. I do not think the information would be of a confidential nature and I request the Chair to kindly direct the Hon'ble Minister to disclose it to the Members. If the records are pending with the University, the University will have to be blamed for it. On the other hand, if the records are pending with the Government, then the Government will have to be blamed for keeping them undisposed for such a long time. So in the interest of the administration, the Hon'ble Minister must be called upon to disclose the information.

Janab SYED ABDUR RAHMAN.—Is it not a fact that the Vice-Chancellor appointed a committee consisting of Professors of Urdu from Lucknow and Aligarh Universities to take a final